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and national defense features allowances under Title V or VII of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended;

- (c) All vessels which have previously been constructed with construction-differential subsidy allowances or national defense features allowance under Title V or VII of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, and later adjusted in price pursuant to section 9 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946;
- (d) All vessels which are subsidized under operating-differential subsidy agreements.

§ 289.3 Provision in subsidy agreements and mortgages.

- (a) All construction-differential subsidy agreements and mortgages relative to vessels covered in §289.2(a) shall provide, wherever possible, that the Maritime Administrator may, in his discretion, require the owner to insure, with commercial underwriters, the interest of the United States.
- (b) All future construction-differential subsidy agreements and future operating subsidy agreements shall require that owners insure vessels covered in §289.2 (a) and (d) in amounts acceptable to the Maritime Administration.

$\S\,289.4$ Insurance by owners.

Owners of vessels covered in §289.2 will not be required to arrange commercial insurance to cover the interest of the United States, exclusive of its mortgage interest, but the United States reserves the right to require, whenever the contracts so provide, that this be done at some future date, should it deem it necessary.

§ 289.5 Insurance by the United States.

The United States will self-insure its interest, exclusive of mortgage interest, as defined in §289.1.

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Subpart A—Introduction

§295.1 Purpose.

This part prescribes regulations implementing the provisions of subtitle B (Maritime Security Fleet Program) of title VI of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, governing Maritime Security Program payments for vessels operating in the foreign trade or mixed foreign and domestic commerce of the United States allowed under a registry endorsement issued under 46 U.S.C. 12105.

§ 295.2 Definitions.

For the purposes of this part:

- (a) *Act*, means the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended by the Maritime Security Act of 1996 (MSA)(46 App. U.S.C. 1101 *et seq.*).
- (b) Administrator, means the Maritime Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD), U.S. Department of Transportation, who is authorized to administer the MSA.
- (c) Agreement Vessel, means a vessel covered by a MSP Operating Agreement.
- (d) Applicant, means an applicant for a MSP Operating Agreement.